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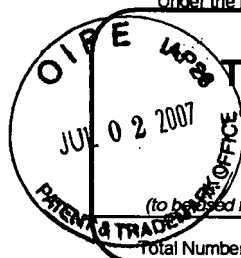
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In response to the Office Action mailed May 14, 2007, applicant makes the following amendments and response. No new matter is introduced by the amendments. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**SPECIFICATIONS:** Amendments to the specifications begin on page 2 of this paper.

**CLAIMS:** Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 4 of this paper.

**REMARKS:** Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.